

**RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION  
MONKLANDS GROUP  
MONDAY 6 DECEMBER 2021 COATBRIDGE INDOOR BOWLING CLUB**

The 36th AGM of the Monklands Group was held in Coatbridge Indoor Bowling Club

**Attendance of Outgoing Committee**

Bernadette Boulton	Chairperson
Douglas Bryson	Treasurer
Christine McMahon	Secretary

Ken Paton, Liz Cushley, David Rankin, Pat Rawlinson, David Dunn, Jacqueline Wilson

**Apologies**

Apologies were received from Liz Hunt.

**Agenda**

The minutes of last years AGM were read along with the Summary of Accounts. These were approved by Ken Paton and seconded by Pat Rawlinson.

**Matters arising from previous minutes**

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

**Chairperson's Report 2021**

**Membership**

The total Rambler Association membership of Monklands Group stands at 79 (2020: 78)

We continue to offer a £5 introductory fare for anyone joining us for their 1<sup>st</sup> walk.

**Committee**

Committee meetings were held by Zoom due to Covid. Face to face meetings restarted in Coatbridge Indoor Bowling club on Monday 19 July 2021.

**Programme**

Local walks were arranged prior to May 2021 where members met up using cars or public transport. The first club walk using bus hire was on 23 May. Numbers were limited to 25 on a 50 seater bus in order to ensure that everyone had a seat to themselves, unless they were from the same household. This number was increased to 34 in October 2021.

The Committee would like to thank Ken Paton for the task of producing the varied walks for the Winter and Summer programmes. We would also like to thank everyone who is involved with leading walks and all those who help with reccies.

**Booking on Walks**

Members were notified of a member of the committee to contact to book on walk by text. This nominated person was not always the leader. The newsletter for each walk was issued on the Wednesday after each weekend walk. This caused a bit of confusion to begin with but has now settled down.

**Morning and social stops on walks**

The club have been extremely lucky for our stops in the morning and evening. Most establishments were very well run and weather permitting we had these in outside areas, either for the café in the morning and also in the evening have been lucky to have our social stop occasionally in beer tents.

**Accidents/Incidents**

These were 2 incidents which occurred during walks. One member twisted her ankle and another member fell while walking through a wooded area, Accident reports were submitted to Ramblers Association. Both members were satisfied by the way the incidents were managed.

### **Social Programme**

There have been no social events arranged at present. It is hoped that the Ten Pin Bowling and Quiz night can be arranged in the not too distant future.

### **Easter weekend**

As Easter Weekend in the Royal Hotel in Oban was cancelled in 2019, this has been rearranged for Easter 2022 from Friday 15 to Monday 18 April.

### **Election of New Committee**

Christine read through the nominations, the new committee being as follows:

#### ***New Committee***

Bernadette Boulton	Chairperson
Douglas Bryson	Treasurer
Christine McMahon	Secretary

David Dunn, Ken Paton, Liz Cushley, David Rankin, Pat Rawlinson and Jackie Wilson.

The committee welcomed Rob McKenzie onto the committee.

### **Honorary Auditor**

Alex Gillies

**Motions** No motions were submitted.

### **Representatives to Strathclyde Area**

Liz Hunt

### **Scottish Council Representatives**

Liz Hunt

### **Any Other Competent Business**

Government and Ramblers Association advice for restarting club walks will be updated to members as and when it is received.

### **Date of next AGM**

Monday 14 November 2022